



# Commanders' Intent

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**1. PURPOSE.** This documents my intent for the 70th Intelligence Wing and describes what I want this wing to be at the time of my departure. This intent should focus all of us on what must be accomplished to achieve success.

**2. WHO WE ARE.** The 70 IW comprises 4,600 Airmen, located worldwide, who conduct and enable cryptologic intelligence and 5,400 family members who support them. These Airmen and their families are crucial to the success of our Air Force and National Security Agency/Central Security Service (NSA/CSS) communities.

**3. MISSION: DETER, FIGHT, WIN.** We're a motivated team with the job of deterring conflict. Director, NSA (DIRNSA) and Commander, 8th Air Force direct us to provide focused, predictive intelligence to prevent adversaries from attacking our people and interests at home and abroad. However, should war occur, we contribute to the fight and win.

- **INTEGRATED.** We conduct cryptology and seek innovative means to enable its integration with other intelligence sources. We prevent our adversaries from succeeding in their cryptologic efforts against our critical communications, electronic infrastructure, and weapon systems. Additionally, we organize as cryptologic services elements to bridge national and tactical intelligence collection and production capabilities, integrating them within and across wings of the 8 AF and beyond. This allows the air component commander and combatant commands to find, fix, track, target, engage, and assess objectives through integrated kinetic and non-kinetic air and space operations. Dominating the information and battle spaces in which we operate, we protect friendly forces and create opportunities for their success.
- **NET SMART.** The timeline for planning and executing air and space operations is compressed in the 21st Century. We produce comprehensive, predictive intelligence for national and military leadership faster than our adversaries. We leverage state-of-the-art communications network technologies to drive net-centric warfare.
- **READY.** Our purpose is to organize, train, and equip our Airmen into an expeditionary force. We always operate on a wartime footing, and are prepared to deploy around the globe to support 8 AF, NSA/CSS, and combatant commands. We maintain first-class work environments for our Airmen and ensure that they have the facilities and services they need to satisfy their professional responsibilities.
- **JOINT.** When groups subordinate to the 70 IW are assigned lead service responsibility for NSA/CSS joint operations, commanders create the opportunity for a joint team that equitably serves all, regardless of service.

**4. COMMITMENT TO OUR FAMILIES.** We recognize that the Air Force extended family is equally important to the success of our mission. As a result, we provide extraordinary support to our families, underscoring our belief that they're the foundation of our operational readiness.

**5. PROFESSIONALISM.** Our Airmen live by Air Force core values: we're known for personal and professional integrity; we demonstrate that service before self is the essence of Air Force leadership; and we strive for excellence in every task undertaken. We mentor and invest in each other, ensuring that our competency in airmanship, air and space doctrine/operations, and leadership postures us for greater levels of responsibility for our Air Force and nation. Commanders and supervisors at every level ensure our Airmen operate safely and are physically and mentally fit to meet the rigors of military duty – whether at home or deployed.

**6. EXPECTATION.** Every Airman is a leader who I rely upon to transform this intent into cryptologic capability for 8 AF, DIRNSA, and combatant commanders. At the end of our journey, we'll be proud of having shaped a wing that makes a true difference to our Air Force and nation. I look forward to meeting each of you.

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